### 2008 Graffiti Survey Results

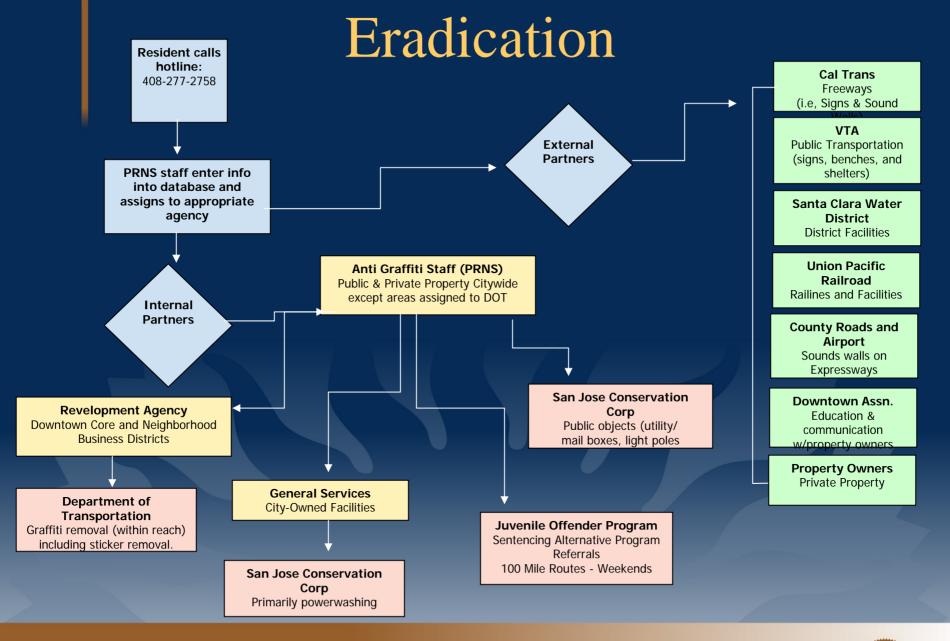
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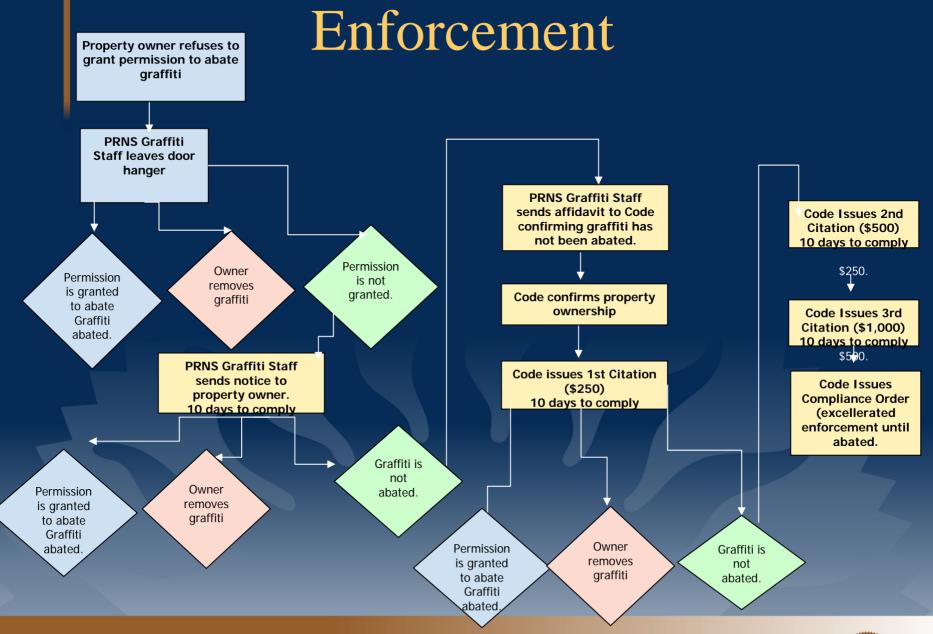
# Background

1987	Juvenile Offenders referred to PRNS for community service
1999	City conducts 1 <sup>st</sup> citywide survey to measure level of activity/progress
2000- 2007	Number of tags declines steadily over the years
2008	Trend reverses & number of tags increases



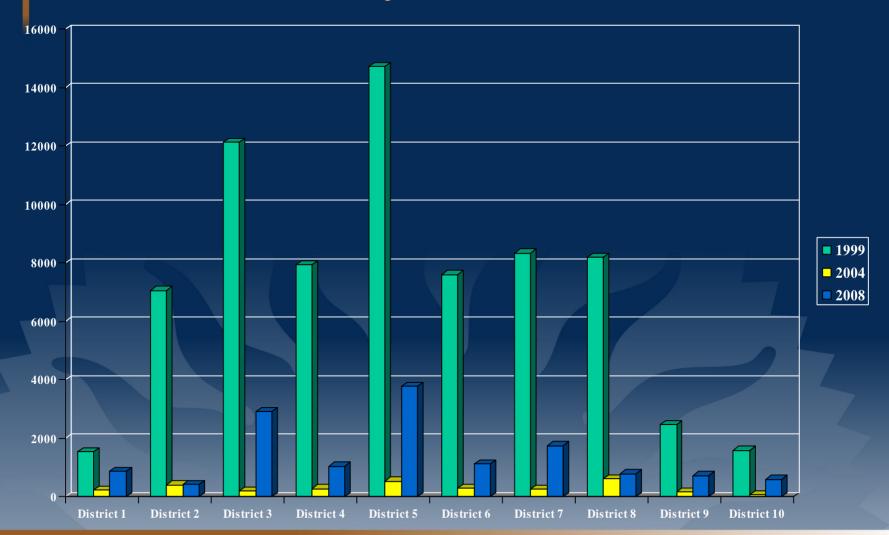








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## Key Findings

- Despite efforts, sheer volume of tags has increased significantly.
  - 61% more tags have been abated during the first six months of this year (43,159) when compared to the same period last year (26,455).
- New trends/Unique challenges
  - Younger taggers in the 10-14 age group
  - Tags on high-rise buildings
  - Internet prestige



### Key Findings

- Need to review current processes
  - Coordination among partners, both internally and externally
  - Tracking system
  - Use of contract services

- Funding Challenges
  - CDBG restrictions
  - Classification issues
  - Resources re-directed to address other priorities



#### Actions

- Collaboration with Downtown Association and PBID
- Coordination with the County to reinstate Juvenile Offender program referrals
- Explore feasibility of alternative funding sources
- Process Improvement Review
- Call to Action: Citywide Clean-up Effort
  - February 25 February 29, 2008



#### Anti-Graffiti Press Conference Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup> 1:00 p.m. San Carlos and DuPont

During this weeklong effort, volunteers are being asked to join in the abatement effort. Anyone who would like to participate, should contact Anti-Graffiti at 277-3208.

Graffiti removal supplies can be picked up at the Main Office located at 501 Vine Street.

The Office will be open February 23-24 8:00 am- 2:00 pm.

Extended hours for the week of the clean-up will be 8:00 am- 7:00 pm



#### Help Wipe Out Graffiti throughout San José!

Pick up your free anti-graffiti supplies from the Anti-Graffiti Program Office at 501 Vine Street (Cross streets: Almaden Blvd. and Woz Way) on:



Saturday, February 23rd and Sunday, February 24th

7:00 a.m. to Noon

Thank you for your support in Making San José one of the Cleanest and Safest Big Cities in America!

For more information, call 408-277-3208.



#### iAyude a limpiar graffiti en todo San José!

Recoja sus productos gratuitos de antigraffiti en la oficina de Anti-Graffiti en el 501 Vine Street (calles que cruzan: Almaden y Woz Way) el:

sábado, 23 de febrero y domingo, 24 de febrero de las 7:00a.m. a las doce del medio día

iMuchas gracias por su apoyo en ayudar a hacer de San José una de las ciudades más Grandes, Seguras y Limpias de América!

Para más informacion, llame al 408-277-3208.